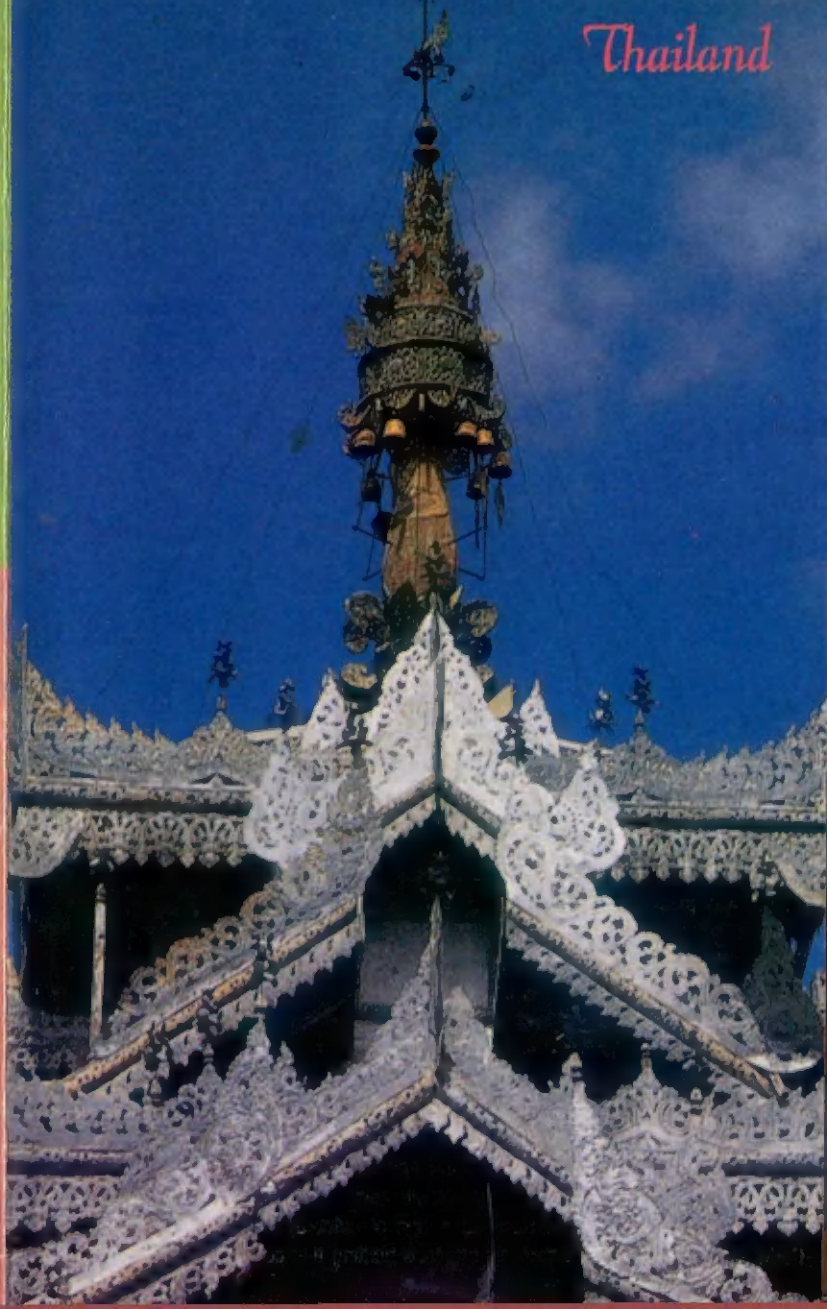


# MAE HONG SON

*Thailand*





# GENERAL INFORMATION

The population of Mae Hong Son province is approximately 160,000 making it the most sparsely populated province in Thailand but one of the most environmentally protected with over 75% of the entire province consisting of mountains, forest and jungle areas.

The population are an interesting ethnic mix of Karen, Lanna Thai, Hmong, Miao, Lua, Lahu, Lisu and Shan. Only in Mae Hong Son will you experience this interesting mix and also see the amazing "Long Necked Padong" tribes.

Burmese influence is strong and can be seen in the local architecture, language, customs and handicrafts. Local residents are commonly referred to as "Tai Yai" and they are very proud of their conservative outlook and heritage.

Mae Hong Son has a number of seasons ranging from hot and sunny (March to August) to cool and misty (November to February). Due to its high altitude, (1,800 Mt above sea level) the province also experiences foggy conditions hence the local name of "The province of Three mists" and during these cold misty periods the flowers of Mae Hong Son (Buatong) bloom and provide an amazing carpet of colours for miles and miles of hillsides.

The province is full of beautiful scenery, unique temples, sights to see, hilltribes, culture, fascinating local festivals and an environment unspoiled and unmatched.

The main town now provides good accommodations, restaurants, shops and markets with friendly, helpful local people to make ones visit a memory never to be forgotten. Many local tour programs are available through out the year and experienced local tour guides are on hand to assist you in your experience of Mae Hong Son.

## ANNUAL FESTIVAL, CUSTOMARY CELEBRATIONS, FOLK DANCES. POI SANG LONG CEREMONY (THE ORDINATION OF NOVICES)

Called "Buat Luk Kaew" by Lanna Thai people, the ordination of novices is the most dazzling and widely attended festival of Mae Hong Son. (It held annually in March and April.) This festival is pivotal to the local customs, traditions and arts and has been held for over a hundred years. This ordination is different from that of other provinces in that it combines some elements of the Lanna Thai novices ordination pattern with those of the Tai Yai's.

## PHRA THAT DOI KONG MU

The religious ceremony is celebrated over 3 nights, beginning the 12th through the 14th day of the new moon in the month of November. The ceremony includes flowers, candle and incense offerings, fireworks contest, the launching of "Kratong" the lighted balloon launched in the air to brighten the dark sky.

## THE "KIA" PROCESSION

It will be held annually right after the end of the Buddha Lent. Villagers will find a pine tree raised in the middle of the temple lawn. The pine tree will be set a flame, burning through out the ceremony as a sign of celebration and worship of the Lord Buddha. Mae Hong Son is the only province holding this ceremony.



## NATURAL SIGHTSEEING PLACES PADONG KAREN (LONG NECKED KAREN TRIBE)

One kind of the hilltribes who live deep in Burma Land. Connected to Thai borderline. They earn their living by agriculture, work in the field grow rice, tea and tobacco. Most of them believe in Buddhism and Spiritual ghosts. The single and unmarried girls always wear the big brass necklace rings around neck, hands and legs. They will increase the number of rings as the age is added.



## HUAI NAM DANG

30 Kms. from Pai city hall, adjacent to Mae Tang district of Chiangmai, administered by The Forestry Department. This home for flourishing cold climate flowers and plants can be accessed any season.

## THUNG BUATONG

Buatong are wild, yellow flowers similar to sunflowers but much smaller. They are in abundance at Doi Mae U Kho, 26 Kms, from Khun Yuam city hall. From the beginning of November to mid December each year, Buatong are in full bloom splendidly covering the whole range of mountains.  
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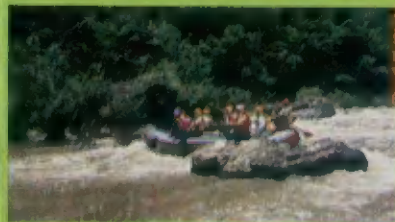
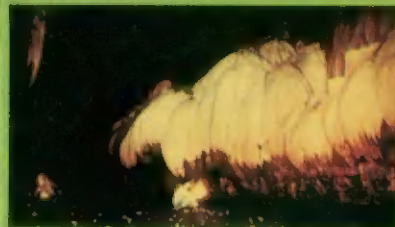
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